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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Withdrawn-currently amended) A method of treating a dermal condition comprising,
 - a) applying a composition to a dermal structure comprising, a matrix material that is not a pressure sensitive adhesive; at least one active agent; at least one humectant and moisture content in the composition effective to create a diffusion gradient between the composition and a dermal structure wherein moisture is transferred from the composition to the dermal structure so that when the composition is placed on a dermal structure so that moisture from the composition is provided to the dermal structure, and the dermal structure is hydrated; at least one active agent ~~to a site of a dermal condition~~, wherein at least one active ingredient is a weak organic acid; and
 - b) maintaining the composition at the dermal structure site for a sufficient amount of time so that an effective amount of the active agent is delivered.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1 wherein the organic acid comprises citric acid.
4. (Withdrawn-currently amended) The method of Claim 3 wherein the citric acid is in a concentration between 0.1 and 16%, ~~preferably between 4 and 16%, or more preferably~~ between 6 and 12%.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1, wherein the matrix is made of natural or synthetic hydrophilic polymers, rubber, collagen, animal hide, hyaluronic acid, dextran, alginates, cellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, hydroxymethylcellulose, elastomers, polyethylenes, polypropylenes, polybutyrate, polyacrylate, polyacrylamide, polybuterate, polyurethane foam, silicone elastomer, nylon, vinyl or cross linked dextran.

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7. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1 wherein the humectant is glycerol.
8. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one attachment element.
9. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1, wherein the composition is an amorphous hydrogel.
10. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1, wherein the composition is a cream, salve, lotion, or emulsion.
11. (Currently amended) A composition comprising,
- a) a matrix material that is not a pressure sensitive adhesive;
 - b) at least one active agent;
 - c) at least one humectant; and
 - d) moisture content in the composition effective to create a diffusion gradient between the composition and a dermal structure wherein moisture is transferred from the composition to the dermal structure when the composition is ~~placed on~~ provided to the dermal structure so that when the composition is provided to the dermal structure moisture is provided to the dermal structure and the dermal structure is hydrated;
- wherein at least one active ingredient is a weak organic acid.
12. (Original) The composition of Claim 11, further comprising a moisture management system.
13. (Original) The composition of Claim 11, further comprising at least one attachment element.
14. (Previously presented) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the matrix material is natural or synthetic hydrophilic polymers, rubber, collagen, animal hide, hyaluronic acid,

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dextran, alginates, cellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, hydroxymethylcellulose, elastomers, polyethylenes, polypropylenes, polybutyrate, polyacrylate, polyacrylamide, polybuterate, polyurethane foam, silicone elastomer, nylon, vinyl or cross linked dextran.

15. (Previously presented) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the at least one active agent is citric acid, sorbic acid, ascorbic acid, salicylic acid, tannic acid, succinic acid, lactic acid, pyruvic acid, alpha ketoglutaric acid, glutamic acid, acetic acid, butaric acid, salicylic acid, iodine, DMSO,azole derivatives, undecylenic acid, tea tree oil, urea, selenium sulfide, resorcinol, ketoconazole, Clotrimazole, Terbinafine, Ciclopirox olamine, Diflucan, anti-yeast compounds, antibacterial compounds, or antiviral compounds.

16. (Previously presented) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the humectant is an organic alcohol, glycerol, butanol, propanol, isopropyl alcohol, ethanol, methanol, propylene glycol, polyethylene glycol, ethylene alcohol, butyl alcohol, sodium chloride, lithium chloride, copper chloride, magnesium chloride, magnesium sulfate, manganese sulphate, aluminum sulfate, zinc sulfate, or zinc chloride.

17. (Original) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the moisture content of the composition is a range of from 0.1% to 50% water.

18. (Withdrawn) A composition for treatment of dermal structures, comprising,

a) a cross-linked polyacrylamide matrix, a non-gellable polysaccharide, citric acid, and water.

19. (Withdrawn) The composition of Claim 18, wherein the citric acid is in a concentration of 8% to 16% w/w.

20. (Withdrawn) The composition of Claim 18, wherein the water content is from 0.1% to 50%.

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21. (New) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the citric acid is in a concentration of 0.1% to 16% w/w.

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